

Generic action bank for story telling

| Key Connective | Suggested Action |
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| Once upon a time | Open hands like a book. |
| Early one morning | Hands to one side of head and pretend to wake up. |
| Who | Finger circle index finger in air. |
| First | One finger up. |
| Next | Two fingers pointed to one side. |
| But | Fingers down. |
| Because | Hands out open palmed |
| At that moment | Hands expressively open as if in surprise. |
| Suddenly | |
| To his/her/their amazement | |
| Unfortunately | |
| Luckily | Hands raised open as if thanking. |
| After/after that | Roll hands over in turning gesture. |
| So | Roll hands forwards and open as if giving. |
| Finally | Palm facing audience like a policeman stopping traffic. |
| In the end/Happily ever after | Bring hands together as if closing book. |
| Eventually | |

Suggested actions specific to Cinderella

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| Cinderella | Hands stroke sides of head as if stroking long hair. |
| Sisters/ugly sisters | Pull ugly face |
| Sad/sadly/cry | Index fingers point to corners of mouth and move down. |
| Work/housework | Move arms as if sweeping floor with broom. |
| Rags/raggy clothes | Index fingers move down body in a jagged fashion. |
| Grand ball | Curtsy or bow. |
| Excited | With index finger pointing, rotate hand in spiral in front of stomach. |
| Fairy godmother | Move arms as if flying. |
| Wand | Wave hand as if waving wand. |
| Pumpkin | Arms held high in front of body-move round describing a large circle. |
| 3 Rats | Hold up 3 fingers. |
| 4 Mice | Hold up 4 fingers. |
| Coach | Index fingers rotate in front of body describing wheels. |
| Coach men/courtier | Stand up straight and tall. |
| Horses | Clap cupped hands. |
| Glass slippers | Point to foot. |
| Midnight | Arms straight. Move out and up above head to clap. |
| Stared | Fingers move in spirals in front of eyes. |
| Dance/danced/dancing | Stand with arms held as if holding partner. |
| Prince | Hands at side of ears with fingers extended upwards. |
| Ran | Move bent arms from side to side as if running. |